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**SEPARATE PAPER REQUESTING**  
**REMOVAL OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS**  
**PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.27(g)(2)**

Dear Sir/Madame:

The above-referenced application was originally filed with small entity status on behalf of inventor: John Sandham, et.al., et al. and has been acquired from Transitive Limited by International Business Machines Corporation.

The above-referenced application has been assigned from Transitive Limited to International Business Machines Corporation, which assignment is recorded with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at Reel No. 022928 and Frame No. 0190 on 07/07/2009.

International Business Machines Corporation is a large entity. Therefore, there is a loss of entitlement to small entity status. Applicants respectfully request removal of small entity status pursuant to 37 CFR 1.27(g)(2).

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the payment of the required fee(s) or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 090447.

The attorney of record invites the Examiner to contact him at (512) 286-8820 if the Examiner believes such contact would advance the prosecution of the case.

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